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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449.

WO-A-9113779 and DE-C-4303069 were cited in an Office Action issued from the European Patent Office on August 30, 2007 in a counterpart foreign application. A copy of the Office Action is enclosed. WO-A-9113779 discloses a direct electric drive for a motor-vehicle wheel. DE-C-4303069 and EP0609705 A1 disclose an external rotor connected directly with an individual wheel.

Copies of the listed documents are enclosed.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that the listed documents do not constitute "prior art" under

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Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should any of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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